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**To: School Food Authorities**

**Subject: SFS-19- x148 SY 2019-2020 Startup for Direct Match with June SNAP**

The June SNAP file has been loaded to eScholar DirectMatch. This is the initial DirectMatch file for the 2019-20 School Year. You will be required to resolve near matches for ALL of your students.

**Please note:** The rollover process of the eScholar System was completed to start the new school year. This means that the databases were emptied of all student enrollments and SNAP matches from the prior school year. The June SNAP file was also loaded to DirectMatch during the rollover process. This is the first file for the 19-20 SY.

A new SNAP file will be loaded to DirectMatch each month. After the file has been loaded, it is important for the CNP staff to run DirectMatch to capture those SNAP match updates (for new student enrollments and for newly eligible SNAP recipients). Please refer to the 2019-20 SNAP Monthly Update schedule.

**For Publics and Charters:**

The CNP staff will need to work with the district's eScholar data manager to coordinate the DirectMatch and Uniq-ID updates for the 2019-20 School Year. This is especially important for the beginning of the new school year.

On July 15, the eScholar systems (Uniq-ID and DirectMatch) were made available to the school systems for uploading data for the 2019-20 School Year. The district's eScholar data manager must first submit student information for all of the students expected to enroll so Uniq-ID assignments can be made for the upcoming school year. Once the district's eScholar data manager has submitted the expected enrollments to Uniq-ID, the CNP staff can run DirectMatch to match those enrollments against SNAP. Failure to submit the expected enrollments to Uniq-ID prior to running DirectMatch will result in **zero** or **significantly fewer** SNAP matches.

For the new school year, as your district eScholar data manager submits additional enrollment updates to Uniq-ID (new students, other changes in enrollment, etc.), additional runs of DirectMatch should be made by the CNP staff.

For assistance, please email [SystemSupport@la.gov](mailto:SystemSupport@la.gov)